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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	THOOMRE, D.K. et al. Advances in the use of biotinylated diaminopyridine (BAP) as a versatile fluorescent tag for oligosaccharides. Glycobiology. 1994, Vol. 4, No. 5, pages 653-663, especially pages 655-656, entire document.	1-8, 29-32 -----
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X	US 5,449,781 A (VARKI et al.) 12 September 1995 (12.09.1995), column 10, line 45 through column 11, line 25; column 7, lines 8-14.	1-8 -----
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X	ROTHENBERG, B.E. et al. Biotinylated diaminopyridine: An approach to tagging oligosaccharides and exploring their biology. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, USA. December 1993, Vol. 90, pages 11939-11943, entire document.	1-8 -----
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☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

☐ See patent family annex.

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This international report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claim Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☐ Claim Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claim Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
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1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☒ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☐ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

Continuation of Item 4 of the first sheet:

The title is too long, PCT Rule 4.3. New Title: "LIGAND INVOLVED IN THE TRANSMIGRATION OF LEUKOCYTES".

BOX II. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION IS LACKING

The inventions listed as Groups I through VIII do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

Toomre et al (Glycobiology 4(5): 653-663 (1994)) disclose BAP-oligosaccharide conjugates containing from 1 to 4 sialic acid residues, i.e., from 1 to 4 negative charges, as required in the claims. See caption of Figure 3 on page 655, disclosing the purification of said BAP-oligosaccharide conjugates using anion exchange HPLC. Product-by-process claims 29 and 32 read on these BAP-oligosaccharide conjugates disclosed by Toomre. Toomre does not mention anything about the claimed leukocyte binding assay (group II), nor does Toomre discuss the preparation of antibodies or monoclonal antibodies or hybridomas from the BAP-oligosaccharide conjugates (groups III and IV), nor does Toomre mention generic methods of reducing extravasation or cell adherence (groups V and VI), nor does Toomre discuss the therapeutic methods recited in the claims (groups VII and VIII).

By disclosing the first-claimed product, without disclosing the numerous direct and indirect applications of that product claimed by applicant, Toomre demonstrates that the first-claimed product lacks a single technical feature which defines it over the prior art. Thus, the listed groups clearly lack a single inventive concept required under PCT Rule 13.1.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be examined, the appropriate additional examination fees must be paid.

Group I, claim(s) 1-22 and 29-32, drawn to a carboxylated glycan (first product), methods of making and methods of using the glycan (antibody binding assay).

Group II, claim(s) 23-28, drawn to a second method of using the carboxylated glycan (leukocyte binding assay).

Group III, claim(s) 33-52, drawn to antibodies (second product).

Group IV, claim(s) 53 and 54, drawn to hybridoma cell lines (third product).

Group V, claim(s) 55-78, drawn to a method of reducing extravasation of leukocytes.

Group VI, claim(s) 79-87, drawn to a method of reducing adherence of leukocytes to endothelial cells.

Group VII, claim(s) 88-106, drawn to a method of treating inflammation.

Group VIII, claim(s) 107-122, drawn to a method of treating cancer.

Continuation of B. FIELDS SEARCHED Item 3:

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